LODI CITY COUNCIL SHIRTSLEEVE SESSION CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018

A. Roll Call by City Clerk

An Informal Informational Meeting ("Shirtsleeve" Session) of the Lodi City Council was held Tuesday, May 1, 2018, commencing at 7:03 a.m.

Present: Council Member Chandler, Council Member Kuehne, and Mayor Nakanishi

Absent: Council Member Johnson, and Mayor Pro Tempore Mounce

Also Present: City Manager Schwabauer, City Attorney Magdich, and City Clerk Ferraiolo

B. Topic(s)

B-1 Receive Presentation by San Joaquin Regional Transit District (PW)

Chief Operating Officer Jean Foletta-Morales with San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA). Specific topics of discussion included regional functions and benefits of the CTSA, background, proposed services, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) assessment, travel training, Volunteer Incentive Program (VIP), discount fare card, FREEdom Program, RTD Go! project, Mobility On-Demand, Local Transportation Fund (LTF) contribution by agency, and next steps.

Council Member Kuehne expressed support for the streamlined ADA assessment process for paratransit services, the hands-on teaching opportunity of the travel training program, the mileage reimbursement service through VIP for transportation assistance, and the RTD Go! program and pointed out a new non-emergency medical transport service to areas such as the Bay Area and Sacramento was recently added to RTD's services.

Mayor Nakanishi stated he supports the CTSA concept and the programs it offers.

In response to Council Member Kuehne, Donna DeMartino, Chief Executive Officer of RTD, stated that, by law, no more than 5 percent of the LTF can be claimed to cover costs of services and, at this time, RTD is requesting each city contribute 2 percent. At the end of the year, a true up will be done to determine whether or not the percentage should increase, which will not be automatic and would come back before the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG).

Myrna Wetzel asked questions relating to the various programs including pick-up locations (i.e. home vs. bus stop), special markings on vehicles, and extension of the programs into Woodbridge and the areas immediately surrounding Lodi.

Andy Chesley with SJCOG spoke in support of creating the CTSA because it will improve the quality of service to County citizens and provide a level of coordination among services within the County that will add value to the transit district and the smaller transit providers. He stated the specific set of tasks outlined in the CTSA were discussed and agreed upon by all local transit jurisdictions and SJCOG will be recommending approval of the creation of the CTSA, which would fall under the auspices of RTD.

Elizabeth Kirkley, speaking as a member of the public and not a City employee, posed questions regarding the VIP and whether it provides compensation to drivers who transport individuals outside of the County.

Mike Lusk received clarification from City Manager Schwabauer that Lodi's transit system -- including costs, operation, and administration -- will remain under City control, while RTD will continue to pay for, operate, and administer its system separately. Mr. Schwabauer added that RTD could function as a master transit operator, but that is not part of this program.

C. Comments by Public on Non-Agenda Items

None.

D. Adjournment

No action was taken by the City Council. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jennifer M. Ferraiolo City Clerk